

MAJOR INCIDENT REPORT A SPECIAL REPORT FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE CHIEF DARYL L. OSBY

TYPE OF INCIDENT:
Assistance to Kern County

DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE:

August 10, 2012, at 5:40 p.m.

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

Jawbone Complex Incident: On Friday, August 10, at 1:25 p.m., Kern County Fire Department received reports of numerous fires that were sparked due to lightning strikes located eight miles from Highway 14 on Jawbone Canyon Road in a Bureau of Land Management area. At 4:00 p.m., Kern County Fire received a call for an additional vegetation fire due to lightning strike activity near Jawbone Canyon. This series of fires have been renamed the Jawbone Complex Incident. Due to high temperatures, low humidity, and the continued potential of thunderstorms, Kern County Fire requested Los Angeles County Fire's assistance at 5:40 p.m. On Sunday, August 12, at 11:00 p.m., Kern County officials reported that the fires have burned 7,990 acres and are 25 percent contained. Approximately 580 firefighters are battling the blaze, along with three helicopters and three airtankers. LACoFD resources assigned to this incident include one strike team consisting of one dozer team. There is no fire involvement in Los Angeles County.

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